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LIBRARY ACQUIRES RARE SERBIAN PUBLICATIONS

The Library of Congress has recently acquired three rare 19th-century Serbian publications. The rarest is a first edition of Petar Petrović-Njegoš' *Gorski vienac; istoričesko sobytie pri svršetku XVII vieka* (The Mountain Wreath; Historical Events at the End of the 17th Century). Njegoš is considered the greatest Serbian poet-philosopher. "The Mountain Wreath," his most famous philosophical poem, concerns man's desire for freedom. This volume was published in Vienna in 1847 while Njegoš was still reigning as the Prince Bishop of Montenegro.

The second item is Simeon Milutinović's *Istoriia Tserne Gore od iskona do noviega vremena* (The History of Montenegro from the Beginning to Our Time. Belgrade, 1835.) Milutinović was a Serbian romantic poet and a teacher of Njegoš. This history contains accounts of the most renowned periods from Montenegrin history and reproductions of letters from the Russian rulers Peter I and Catherine II to the Montenegrin rulers.

The third item is by Jevta Popović, a Serb who lived in Trieste, Italy. His collection *Vseslavie* (Pantheon. Buda, 1831.) contains articles on Serbian history intended for a wide reading public. The monograph is beautifully illustrated.

All three items are original first editions in good condition and represent a valuable addition to the Library's collections of rare Slavic material.

H.R. 6950, the act making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for fiscal 1976 has been sent to the President for signature. The Conference Report (House Report 94-370) was approved by the House and Senate on July 17. Included is an appropriation of $116,230,600 to the Library of Congress for fiscal 1976. Details of the Act will be reported in next week's *Bulletin*.

DBPH DEVOTES WORKSHOP TO VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

On June 19 the Volunteer Utilization Section held an all-day workshop on developing volunteer programs in the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped conference room. Conducted by Margo King, volunteer consultant for the National Center for Voluntary Action, the meeting explored new methods for administering volunteer programs.

It began with a broad discussion of the reasons for using volunteers. Some of the other areas covered during the day were planning, interviewing, screening and matching, training, recruiting and placing, agency rights and responsibilities toward the volunteer and volunteer rights and responsibilities, and fund raising.

Approximately 24 persons attended the workshop, including DBPH staff and representatives of regional and subregional libraries, volunteer organizations and District and Federal government agencies.

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STAFF NEWS

DEATH OF FORMER STAFF MEMBER

Dorothy C. Norberg, former Editor of Classification Schedules, Editorial Section, Subject Cataloging Division, died on July 10 at the Sebring Manor Nursing Home in Sebring, Fla. She was 66 years old.

Miss Norberg, a native of Bloomington, Ill., received an A.B. degree from the University of California at Los Angeles and an A.M. degree from the University of Chicago. She also attended George Washington University where she obtained her library training.

Her career at the Library of Congress began in 1931 when she joined the staff as a Classification Assistant in the Shelflisting Section, Classification Division, since 1940 the Subject Cataloging Division. She subsequently served as a Reviser in charge of the General Serials Unit, a Subject Cataloger in the fields of education, English and American literature and fiction, Assistant Editor of Classification Schedules, and Editor of Classification Schedules, the position from which she retired in December 1965. From August 1948 to March 1949 she was on special assignment with the UNESCO library in Paris, supervising its reclassification according to the Library of Congress Classification System and the recataloging of its collections.

Memorial services for Miss Norberg were held on July 15 in Florida. She is survived by a sister, Mae Howard, of Sebring, Fla.

RETIREMENTS

Jean D. Allaway, International Relations Officer and Administrative Officer of the Permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise, Office of the Assistant Librarian of Congress, has retired after 12 years of service with the Library of Congress. A native of Kentucky, Mrs. Allaway received her B.A. and M.A. degrees from Mt. Holyoke College and her Ph. D. degree from Yale University in medieval English legal history. Before coming to the Library of Congress, Mrs. Allaway taught English in Stamford, Conn., and was on the staff of the Ferguson Library in Stamford. She joined the staff of the General Reference and Bibliography Division in July 1963 and was promoted to International Relations Assistant in the Office of the Assistant Librarian in July 1964. In December 1965, she was again promoted and assumed administrative duties for the Permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise. In May 1968, she became International Relations Officer and Administrative Officer of the Devise.

Mrs. Allaway was well-known throughout the Library for her efficient, cheerful manner in arranging programs for librarians, library students, and other distinguished visitors.

At an informal ceremony marking Mrs. Allaway's retirement, Acting Librarian of Congress Elizabeth Hamer Kegan presented the Library's Superior Service Award to her. In an accompanying letter Mrs. Kegan cited Mrs. Allaway for her work with visitors and for having been a "model Administrative Officer" for the Holmes Devise and "an ever-present source of help" to both the Permanent Committee and the authors of the multi-volume *History of the Supreme Court of the United States,* the major project of the Devise. In addition, the citation read: "Your deep interest in the Library of Congress as an institution, your appreciation of the principles for which it has stood for a century and three quarters, and your understanding of its role in the library and research communities have made you a most valued staff member. For devoted services, which have reflected great credit on the Library, nationally and internationally, I am very pleased and privileged to present to you, with gratitude, the Library's Superior Service Award."

Paul Freund, Editor in Chief of the *Supreme Court History*, sent a telegram to Mrs. Allaway thanking her on behalf of the authors of the *History* and wishing her a happy retirement.

Mrs. Allaway and Mrs. Kegan

Hilda V. Elliott, Personnel Assistant to the Personnel Operations Office, retired on July 20, after 32 years of Federal service.

Miss Elliott began her Government service in 1943 with the National Housing Agency, transferring one year later to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Following a brief interruption in Federal service, Miss Elliott joined the staff of the Library of Congress serving initially in the Acquisitions Department and later in the General Reference and Bibliography Division and the Processing Department Office. In 1951 she resigned to work for the Civil Aeronautics Administration, returning to the Library in July 1953, to serve in the Reference Department, the Air Information Division, and the Office of the Secretary before her appointment to the Personnel Operations Office in October 1960.

During her 15 years as the Appointments and Separations Assistant, Miss Elliott became known to many employees in the Library for her spirit of cooperation and friendly manner.

AWARDS

On June 25, nine staff members of the Administrative Department were recognized for the outstanding performance of their duties in a ceremony held in the office of the Acting Librarian.

Elliott C. Finley, Assistant Chief, Central Services Division, received a Meritorious Service Award and a $400 cash award for the "consistently high quality and quantity of work . . . performed during the past year which has far exceeded the normal requirements of [his] position." Noted were his "sustained efforts which have resulted in more effective, expeditious, and economic dissemination of administrative documents and publications."

Vivian E. Kirk, Clerical Assistant, Photoduplication Microphotographic Section, was commended for her "performance during the past 11 months [which] substantially exceeded normal requirements." In her position she displayed "unusual competence in exceeding established production levels with high quality work as well as a remarkable capacity for absorbing extra duties and responsibilities during . . . manpower shortages and unusually heavy demands". For her accomplishments, Miss Kirk received an Incentive Award and a $150 cash award.

An Incentive Award and a cash award of $35 were presented to **Manuel Taxiera**, Private on the Special Police Force, for the "improvement in Library services to the public [which] have resulted from [his] suggestion to install parcel lockers for use by the public." Private Taxiera's suggestion, which was made in 1969, was adopted in 1972 when lockers were placed in the checkroom facilities as a service to Library readers and visitors.

Marjorie E. Thompson, Library Technician, Binding Office, devised a system of sorting books which are bound for the Orientalia collections that has proved to be efficient and economical. She received an Incentive Award and a $150 cash award for her "labor-saving idea [which] has improved the efficiency of [her] organization's operations and provided a substantial monetary saving to the Library of Congress."

A group award was presented to the SCORPIO development team, Information Systems Office, for its "superior work in the development of the SCORPIO (*S*ubject-*C*ontent *O*riented *R*etriever for *P*rocessing *I*nformation *O*n-line) command language being used with the on-line Legislative Information System and the National Referral Center's Information System. . . ." Team members **Michael P. Fitzgerald, Robert D. Naylor, Durward L. Power**, and **Francis J. Scott**, received Incentive Awards and cash awards of $200 for the internal systems design which they developed and for the structure and programming techniques they devised which allow new commands, display formats, and support additional applications to be implemented effectively at a low cost.

Sally A. Mehan, Adult Health Nurse Practitioner, Health Services Office, received a Meritorious Service Award for establishing and developing a cancer detection program for the women of the staff of the Library of Congress. She was commended for her "leadership and endeavor which have contributed to the establishment of a new standard and model for Federal occupational health services."

Incentive Award recipients Mrs. Thompson, Miss Kirk, Mr. Taxiera, and Mr. Finley.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Appointments: Thomas Antush, research analyst, GS-5, FRD, 7665; Elaine Goodman, research analyst, GS-9, FRD, 7665; Daniel Griffin, mail clerk, GS-3, Ord, 7726; Barbara Henry, assistant head, reference section, GS-13, Mus, 7341 & 7627; Larry Nunley, editorial assistant, GS-4, CRS GGR, 7744; Joan O'Callaghan, editor, GS-9, Publ, 7650; Carolyn Singh, correspondence clerk, GS-5, Cop Exam, 7948; Gregg Smith, catalog filer, GS-5, Cat Mgmt, 7765; Karen Smith, secretary to the automated systems coordinator, GS-5, DBPH, 7762.

Temporary Appointments: Thomas Higgins, library aid, GS-3, Sci, NP; Sharon Pringle, clerk-typist, GS-1, Cop Exam, NP.

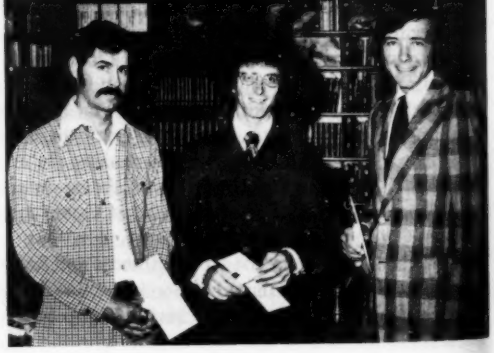
Reappointments: Theodore Bacak, catalog filer, GS-5, Cat Mgmt, 7765; Theodore Leach, senior information systems project manager, GS-15, ISO, NP.

Promotions: Mary Hooper, to section head and descriptive cataloging specialist, GS-13, Desc Cat, 7733; David Lewis, to deck attendant, GS-3, S&R, OP 4-600.

Resignations: Dorothy Butler, Ser; Carlos Hazera, Sci; Janice James, Photodup; Donna Luzzi, Cat Distri; Lenore Weissler, Desc Cat.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Frank Kurt Cylke, Chief, Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, addressed the 35th Annual Convention of the National Federation of the Blind on Tuesday, July 1, in Chicago. Mr. Cylke spoke on "Service and Technology in the Library Program for the Blind." He noted that the program is "technology bound" and that the talking book program, the cassette program, and the major braille effort are constrained by the state of the art of existing transcription, reproduction, stereotyping, and computer technologies. Following a review of existing technological applications, Mr. Cylke discussed the development of a Library of Congress program for delivering "telebooks" and other materials to the homes of blind readers by electronic means. He also cited the Library of Congress development of existing computer programs for automated English braille transcription to permit Spanish text or mixed Spanish and English.



SCORPIO team members Mr. Naylor, Mr. Fitzgerald, and Mr. Power receive Incentive Awards at the June 25 ceremony. [Mr. Scott was not present.] Awards story appears on p. 311 of this issue.

William A. Gosling, CIP Program Manager, spoke on the development and current status of the CIP Program in the United States and emphasized the librarian's view of the program at a session of the Workshop on Cataloging held on June 14 in Toronto, Canada. The workshop was sponsored jointly by the Canadian Association of College and University Libraries and the Canadian Library Association. [A report of the workshop session appears on p. 315 of this issue of the LC *Information Bulletin.*]

Floyd D. Hedrick, Chief, Procurement and Supply Division, was a guest lecturer on "Effective Negotiations in Purchasing," for a course in Purchasing Management at the American Management Association headquarters in New York City on July 15. Mr. Hedrick has long been active in AMA's educational programs and is one of three Federal Government members of AMA's prestigious Councils, the others being Elmer B. Staats, Comptroller General of the United States, and Mrs. Jayne B. Spain, Vice Chairman, U.S. Civil Service Commission.

Wassily Smyrnow, Processing Assistant in the Slavic Section, Shared Cataloging Division, has received a patent for his invention, the Air Pollution Waterway Device and Process, from the U.S. Patent Office.

ANNOUNCEMENT

On Monday, August 4, the **Ethnic Employees of the Library of Congress** will present "City out of Wilderness: Washington," a highly praised documentary film prepared by the U.S. Capitol Historical Society. The film will be shown in the Coolidge Auditorium from 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Mrs. Mehan accepts her award from the Acting Librarian. [Award story appears on p. 312 of this issue].

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Accessions List: India: ISSN 0041-7734. Vol. 14, No. 8. August 1975. (pp. 175-246). Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Accessions List: Southeast Asia. ISSN 0096-2341. Vol. 1, 4-6. April-June 1975. (pp. 43-72). Please note that continuing subscriptions, free to libraries upon request, are available from the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, Americam Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Braille Book Review. ISSN 0006-873X. Vol. 44, No. 4. July-August 1975. This bi-monthly publication contains features and lists of recently-produced press-braille and handcopied braille books. Free upon request from the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20542.

Library of Congress Catalogs: Chinese Cooperative Catalog. ISSN 0095-1072. May 1975. Part 1, A-K (v, 136 p.). Part 2, L-Y (v, 134 p.). For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20541, for $155 a year.

New Braille Musician. ISSN 0093-2817. Print Edition. Spring 1975. (v, 33 p.) Issued semiannually, this publication is a cumulation of original articles from national music periodicals appearing in the braille edition from July-August 1974 to November-December 1974. Available free upon request from the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

Railroad Maps of the United States. 1975. (v, 112 p.) For sale by the U.S. Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 for $2.05 a copy (GPO Stock Number 3004-00014).

Compiled by Andrew M. Modelski of the Library's Geography and Map Division, this annotated bibliography describes 622 original 19th-century railroad and area maps. Entries for the bibliography were chosen from the Division's holdings of more than 3,000 railroad maps and about 2,000 regional, state, and county maps, and other maps which show transportation improvements in the 1800's. Issued for a variety of purposes, these maps include official printed government surveys conducted to determine the most practical railroad routes, Pacific Railroad Surveys, U.S. General Land Office Maps which show land grants to railroads, surveys for specific rights-of-way, and general surveys prepared to accompany progress reports of individual railroads. Other maps

were published specifically to promote particular lines, some of which were never built. Also in the collections are maps issued by commercial publishers, intended for ticket agents and the public, as route guides to encourage commerce and travel to the newly settled areas west of the Mississippi River.

The maps in the bibliography give a profile of the development of cartographical style and technique. They also reflect the important achievements of early railroaders in providing a transportation network to span the country. Only separate printed and manuscripts maps preserved by the Division are included in this list. Excluded are photocopies, facsimiles, atlases, and maps which are part of annual railroad company reports or which illustrate volumes not in the custody of the Division.

The bibliography is organized chronologically by area, including the United States as a whole or large portions of it, the five major geographical regions, and the 50 states with at least one entry for each state. The list also includes maps of individual railroad lines, arranged alphabetically and chronologically. Where possible each entry contains the author's name, the full title of the map, the imprint, and notation if the map is in color, the natural scale, and the map's measurements to the nearest centimeter. A brief paragraph describes the geographical coverage of each map and includes its general content.

The 112-page paperback publication contains reproductions of a number of maps described in the bibliography. An introduction traces the scope and development of American railroad mapping from its beginnings in the late 1920's through the entire century. An index is provided.

Wilbur & Orville Wright: A Chronology Commemorating the Hundredth Anniversity of the Birth of Orville Wright, August 19, 1871. 1975. (ix, 234 p.) For sale by the U.S. Superintendent of Documents, for $2.30 a copy (LC 1.2:W93, GPO Stock Number 3018-00014).

Prepared by Arthur G. Renstrom of the Library's Science and Technology Division, the chronology contains over 2,600 individual entries and covers the period from the birth of Wilbur Wright on April 16, 1867, through the centennial year of the birth of Orville. Supplementing the main chronology is a flight log which records the flights of Wilbur and Orville from 1900, when their first gliding experiments were carried out at Kitty Hawk, N.C., through 1918 when Orville, flying a Wright 1911 model aircraft, made his last flight as a pilot at Dayton on May 13. A total of 21 individual detailed flight logs are presented, chronologically recording the brothers' flights in the United States, France, Germany, and Italy. The information for the chronology is based upon an extensive survey of the Library's unique Wright collection, as well as other related documentary sources in the Library. A comprehensive index of persons, institutions, and geographic names cited in the publication is provided to facilitate use of the chronology.

Library of Congress Regulations: No. 1710-22 (June 17), page 2, concerned certain travel requests in special instances; No. 319 (July 1) restated the responsibility and procedures for recommending and approving recommendations for materials to be acquired for the Library's permanent collections; No. 2023-5 (July 2) reflects statutory changes in Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act on page 2; No. 2023-3 (July 2), pages 1 and 2, renumbered paragraphs in Section 1 and clarified attorney representation by staff members; No. 214-1 page 3 and No. 214-14 (July 3) reflected changes in the name and responsibilities of the former Rare Book Division, now Rare Book and Special Collections Division.

Special Announcements: No. 697 (June 12) announced the appointment of John B. Henderson as Senior Specialist in Price Economics in the Congressional Research Service; No. 698 (June 23) announced the appointment of Harry G. Gourevitch as Senior Specialist in Taxation and Fiscal Policy, Congressional Research Service; No. 699 (July 3) gave the current membership of the Incentive Awards Committee; No. 700 (July 15) advised the staff on the cost-of-living annuity increase, effective on August 1, 1975.

NEW REFERENCE WORKS

A major tool for the study of the economic and cultural life of the U.S.S.R. is the statistical yearbook *Narodnoe khoziaistvo SSSR* recently issued by the Central Statistical Administration of the Council of Ministers (Statistika, 1974. 880 p. HA1432.N3). Although its statistical methods and coverage differ widely from those of the American equivalent *Statistical Abstract*, it does offer a broad report for the year 1973 on many fields of Soviet life. The volume includes data on population, industry and agriculture, education, scientific research activities, health services, etc., as well as an appendix with more than 35 pages of discussion of the methodology employed. From a close examination of this yearbook, taking into account the problems of statistical reporting and interpretation which are involved, the reader can obtain a view of the broad, and often specific,

features of the Soviet Union. A copy is available in the reference collection of the Slavic Division.

[*Robert V. Allen*]

A Bibliography of Africana, compiled by Hans E. Panofsky, has been issued as number 11 in the series, "Contributions in Librarianship and Information Science" (Westport, Conn., Greenwood Press, 1975. 350 p. $15). The compiler, who is Curator of Africana in Northwestern University's Melville J. Herskovits Library of African Studies, traces the development of African studies throughout the world, with special emphasis on programs in the United States and Europe. The book includes a discussion of general bibliographic tools on Africa and of guides to newspapers, official gazettes, and journals; a list of guides to resources by subject and to resources outside Africa, especially in Europe; citations to material on individual regions and countries; and a brief survey of the Africana publishing scene and notes on acquisition tools and the cataloging of African material. A copy is available for consultation in the African Section, General Reference and Bibliography Division. [*Julian W. Witherell*]

One of the best summaries of the collections and activities of the libraries of the Italian Senate and Chamber of Deputies can be found in an article appearing in the May-June 1974 issue of *Italy; Documents and Notes,* issued by the Italian Council of Ministers in Rome (Year 23, No. 3, pp. 273-284, DG576.I8). The article entitled "Italian Parliamentary Libraries" discusses the *Catalogo metodico degli scritti contenuti nelle pubblicazioni periodiche italiane e straniere,* published by the Biblioteca of the Camera dei deputati (AI 11.I8). Unjustly neglected, the *Catalogo metodico* is a unique key to non-American periodical literature. The Chamber of Deputies library has one of the best collections of parliamentary records, especially Italian, and original manuscripts of Italian authors and politicians of the 19th century. The Senate Library contains one of the largest collections of Italian city laws, Italian academy publications and newspapers, and government publications. This survey article, hidden away in a non-library periodical, is a major contribution to library literature. [*Johannes L. Dewton*]

The *Bibliografie van in Nederland verschenen officiële en semi-officiële uitgaven* (Vol. 46, 1974. Z2439.H18) recently issued by the Royal Library in the Hague, has changed its format. The new volume (Vols. 44 and 45 have not been issued yet) is arranged by personal author or title and contains three indexes–subject, title and issuing agency. It is questionable whether this arrangement is preferable to the old one, which listed government publications by issuing agency and contained indexes by personal name and subject. Bibliographies of government publications are oriented to the use of specialist-researchers, not the general public, and as such, would be more useful and time-saving if organized by issuing agency. The editors of the *Bibliografie* justify the new arrangement as a result of cooperation with Brinkman's *Cumulative Catalogus van Boeken,* the Dutch trade bibliography. [*Johannes L. Dewton*]

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

Cataloging Workshop Held in Toronto

Cataloging in Publication was the topic of the afternoon sessions of the Workshop on Cataloging sponsored jointly by the Canadian Association of College and University Libraries and the Canadian Library Association. Approximately 200 librarians attended the meeting held on June 14 in Toronto. William A. Gosling, CIP Program Manager at the Library of Congress, and Carol A. Nemeyer, Senior Associate, Association of American Publishers, delivered talks on the development and current status of the U.S. CIP program, with Mr. Gosling emphasizing librarians' views of the program and Mrs. Nemeyer those of U.S. publishers.

Cynthia Durrance, Director of the Cataloging Branch, National Library of Canada, then reported that a Canadian CIP pilot project would begin shortly. She also reported that F. Brent Scollie has been named CIP Project Officer at the National Library and will head the team there which will coordinate the decentralized cataloging operations. The cataloging will be centered in the cooperating universities located near the major publishing centers. Paul Audley, Executive Secretary of the Independent Publishers Association, expressed the keen interest of the association's members in having a Canadian CIP Program implemented as soon as possible as a means of getting bibliographic data for Canadian publications known to the Canadian Library Community.

The session was organized and chaired by Natsuko Furuya, Assistant Director for Technical Services at York University, Downsview, who led the question-and-answer session which followed the speakers' presentations. [*William A. Gosling*]

GRANTS

The **National Endowment for the Humanities** has offered a gift and matching grant of up to $1,250,000

to the New York Public Library intended to help NYPL make its large collections of research materials in the humanities more accessible on a national scale to students, scholars, and researchers in business, government, and other institutions. The Endowment will match, dollar for dollar, up to $625,000 gifts made to it on behalf of NYPL by November 30. The new grant is the fourth commitment of major support made to New York Public Library by the Endowment. Previous grants of $500,000 in 1972, $750,000 in 1973, and $1,000,000 in 1974, when matched by the Library's fund-raising efforts, resulted in a total of $6,250,000. These grants are in addition to the Endowment's continuing contribution to library science, made to many national groups since the formation of the Endowment in 1965.

The **Council on Library Resources** has made a grant of $47,046 to the University of North Carolina at Charlotte for a project to design and test an academic library development program. A major product will be a library self-study manual that, it is hoped, will be useful to many of the nation's small to moderate-sized academic libraries. The project emphasizes the special need for these libraries to reconsider their purposes, functions, and practices with a view to increasing library effectiveness and improving the allocation and use of available resources.

The Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences, **University of Pittsburgh**, has received a survey research grant from the U.S. Office of Education to carry out, in cooperation with Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, a study of self-learning patterns of persons who use library staff and resources in planning and developing independent learning projects. Librarians of Carnegie Library and its branches will recruit continuing library users to be interviewed by the survey staff.

COMING EVENT

The **Middle East Librarians' Association** will hold its fourth annual meeting in Louisville, Ky., on November 20 in conjunction with the annual meeting of the **Middle East Studies Association** of North America. The program will be devoted to discussion of the proposals resulting from the first two sessions of the Workshop on Cooperation among Middle East Libraries in North America held in Cambridge, Mass., last November and in Ann Arbor, Mich., in May. Further information on the meeting is available from Martha Dukas, Secretary-Treasurer, Middle East Librarians' Association, Middle Eastern Department, Harvard College Library, Cambridge, Mass. 02138.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANSI Z39 Subcommittee 40 on Serials Holdings Statements has just been formed. The Chairman is Glyn Evans, Director of Library Services of the State University of New York, and the other committee members are Richard Anable (CONSER), Paul Fasana (NYPL), Lois Hacker (CUNY Graduate Center), Mary Sauer (LC National Serials Data Program), and Bob Tannehill (Chemical Abstracts Service).

The committee is anxious to examine as many examples of Serials Union Lists or local serials lists holding statements as it can in the course of its work. It is also anxious to elicit comment from editors and compilers of such lists.

Persons wishing to submit comments or samples (title page, prefatory material, and sample text pages are essential) to the committee should forward them as soon as possible to Glyn T. Evans, Director of Library Services, State University of New York, Central Administration, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, N.Y. 12210.

The **National Science Foundation** has announced a reorganization that has affected the Office of Science Information Service (OSIS). OSIS has been placed in the new Directorate of Scientific, Technological, and International Affairs, together with other offices involved in policy, assessment, and other matters of broad Federal and national interest. OSIS will continue to be responsible for research and its special responsibilities legislated under Title IX, National Defense Education Act of 1958. Robert E. Hughes is the Acting Assistant Director for Scientific, Technological, and International Affairs, pending the selection of an Assistant Director. The physical location of OSIS in the Thomas Edison Building at 19th and Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, D.C., remains the same.

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